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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, GW, PINR

SUBJECT: FRG INQUIRY ABOUT RUSH STATEMENT ON BERLIN  
NEGOTIATIONS

1. THE FOREIGN OFFICE, AT THE REQUEST OF THE CHANCELLERY, HAS ASKED US TO CONFIRM THE ACCURACY OF A STATEMENT IN THE MAY 27 EDITION OF "DER SPIEGEL" ATTRIBUTED TO FORMER DEPUTY SECRETARY RUSH. SPIEGEL QUOTES RUSH AS SAYING THAT, IN HIS CAPACITY AS UNITED STATES NEGOTIATOR OF THE QUADRIPARTITE AGREEMENT, HE HAD NEVER HAD ANY SUSPICION THAT SOVIET NEGOTIATOR ABRASIMOV WAS AWARE OF WESTERN POSITIONS IN ADVANCE AND THAT HE, WEST GERMAN AGENCIES TO EXPRESS CONCERN OVER LEAKS OF SECRET INFORMATION.

2. THIS ISSUE WAS RAISED IN THE CONTEXT OF THE GUILLAUME AFFAIR BY FRANZ JOSEPH STRAUSS WHO, SPEAKING IN THE BUNDESTAG BUDGET DEBATE, ASKED RHETORICALLY IF IT  
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WAS NOT CORRECT THAT AMERICAN AND FRENCH AUTHORITIES HAD

COMPLAINED REPEATEDLY OVER LEAKS OF INFORMATION WHICH KEPT ABRASIMOV INFORMED OF THE WESTERN POSITION FOR FORTHCOMING ROUNDS OF THE QUADRIpartite NEGOTIATIONS.

3. SPIEGEL STATES IN THIS CONNECTION: "IT IS EXTRA-ORDINARY THAT KENNETH RUSH, WHO IN 1971 AS AMERICAN AMBASSADOR IN BONN PARTICIPATED IN THE FOUR POWER NEGOTIATIONS AND WHO TODAY IS HENRY KISSINGER'S DEPUTY IN THE STATE DEPARTMENT, IN RESPONSE TO QUESTIONS BY SPIEG

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